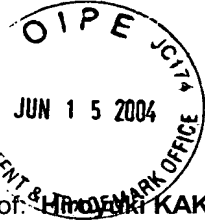


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- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.

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Sir:

In response to the May 3, 2004 Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows.